FACILITIES IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK

Giant Forest Area

GIANT FOREST SEQUOIA GROVE

6400' (1950m) elevation. Home of the world's biggest trees, it offers 40 miles (64 km) of walking trails. See highlights on page 6, and page 3 for information on road delays between Giant Forest and Three Rivers.

- Giant Forest Museum (NPS): Daily 9am 7pm through 9/4, 9am-6pm through September, then 9am - 4pm. Exhibits about the Big Trees. Books, maps, first aid. 1-559-565-4480. No payphone; closest phones are at Lodgepole & Wolverton.
- Picnic Areas (NPS): See the map on page 12; details on page 3.

CRYSTAL CAVE - Daily tours

This cavern is one of the highlights of the park! Tickets are not sold at the cave; see page 3 for details and schedule.

Lodgepole Area

LODGEPOLE VILLAGE

6700' (2040 m) elevation. A few miles north of Giant Forest, in beautiful Tokopah Canyon along the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River. For nearby picnic areas see page 3 and your map. Lodgepole Village offers:

INFORMATION (NPS)

- Visitor Center: Daily 7am-6pm through 9/2, 7am-5pm through 9/22, then 8am-4:30pm. Crystal Cave tickets sold 8am - 3:30pm. Exhibits on geology & forest life; books; maps; first aid. Pay phone. See the *America's Best Idea* traveling photo exhibition (through September) and new Bears of the Sierra movie. 1-559-565-4436.
- Wilderness Permits: Required for backcountry overnight trips. See page 4 for details. Daily 7-11am & noon-3:45pm in the visitor center through 9/22, then self-isssue outside the visitor center. 1-559-565-4408.

FOOD & SHOPS (DNCPR)

- Lodgepole Market & Gift Shop: Daily 8am-8pm through 9/2, then 9am-6pm. Supplies, bear canisters, gifts, sandwiches, ice cream.
- Harrison Grill: Daily 8am-8pm through 9/2, then weekends only 9am-6pm. Breakfast, hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, & barbecue.
- Watchtower Deli: Daily 11am-6pm through 9/2, then closed for the season. Sandwiches, salads.

OTHER SERVICES

- Lodgepole Campground (NPS): Open all year. Details on page 11.
- Laundry (DNCPR): Daily 8am-8pm through 9/3, then 8am-5:45pm. Last load of laundry in I hour before closing.
- Showers (DNCPR): Daily 8am-ipm & 3-7:45pm through 9/3, then 8am-ipm & 3-5:45pm.
- Post Office: Weekdays 8am-1pm & 2-4pm. 1-559-565-3678. Lobby with stamp machine open 24 hours. Address mail to visitors: c/o General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262.
- Picnic Areas (NPS): See the map on page 12; details on page 3.
- Pay Telephones: Outside visitor center & market buildings.

WUKSACHI LODGE & DINING ROOM

7200' (2160 m) elevation. Open year-round 4 miles (6.4 km) north of the Sherman Tree. The center for lodging & food services in Sequoia.

FOOD, SHOPS & LODGING (DNCPR)

- Dining Room: Breakfast 7-10am; lunch 11:30am-2:30pm; dinner 5-10pm through 9/2. Starting 9/3: 7:30am-9:30am; 11:30am-2:30pm; 5pm-8:30pm. Dinner reservations required. Box lunches available. 559-565-4070. Lounge daily 4:30-10pm through 9/2, then 4:30pm-9pm. Pay telephones downstairs.
- Gift Shop: Daily 8am-8. Film, souvenirs, crafts, clothing, art, snacks.
- Lodging: Year-round. See page 10 for details.

Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts and the National Park Foundation have made it easy for Wuksachi Lodge guests to contribute to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks. Ask about the Guest Donation Program when you check in!

WOLVERTON MEADOWS

7200' (2160 m) elevation. Two miles (3.2km) north of the Sherman Tree. Wolverton BBQ (DNCPR): Nightly through 9/2, weather permitting. All-you-can-eat barbeque, served outdoors starting around 6pm.

Moro Rock/Crescent Meadow Road Advisory

Repaying may start in late summer on this road. Please check at visitor centers for current road conditions.

FREE NATURE PROGRAMS

Check bulletin boards and visitor centers for details and schedules. Watch for a special campfire program of photographs on Sunday, August 19. No programs on August 23.

GIANT FOREST, LODGEPOLE, DORST & WUKSACHI

- Daily 10:30 am through 9/30 & 4:30 pm through 9/2 Sherman Tree Talk: Tales about the largest tree in the world! Meet at base of the tree. Plan at least 20 minutes to walk from main parking lot. 30 minutes.
- Daily 11 am through 9/2 Moro Vistas: Meet a ranger up on Moro Rock. Give yourself at least 15 minutes to climb the historic staircase to the top! 30 minutes.
- Daily 2:30 pm through 9/30 Realm of Giants: Explore the world's largest trees. Meet in front of Giant Forest Museum. 2 hours.
- Daily 2:30 pm through 9/30 Critters of the Sierra: Discover the animals that call Sequoia Park home. In front of Lodgepole Visitor Center.
- Lodgepole Evening Campfire: Most weekends through 9/30. Check locally for schedules. Learn more about the park! While Lodgepole Campground Amphitheater is being renovated, look for us in the small camp fire circle in the campground parking lot. 1 hour.

SPECIAL EXHIBIT: America's Best Idea

At Lodgepole Visitor Center through September, this free photo exhibit showcases America's 58 "National Parks."

THE FOOTHILLS - Programs given through 9/30

- Daily Ranger's Choice 11am Meet outside the Foothills Visitor Center for a 15-minute talk.
- Friday & Saturday Potwisha Campfire: Meet at the campground amphitheater for family fun. 1 hour. Check visitor center and bulletin boards for times and topics. Flat, unpaved surface.

MINERAL KING - Programs through 9/2

• Check local bulletin boards for more information.

Foothills Area

500-3500' (457-1067 m) elevation. Oaks, chaparral, & river canyons; hot summers & snow-free winters; & the greatest biological diversity in these parks. Park headquarters is at Ash Mountain.

- Visitor Center (NPS): Daily 8am-6pm through 9/3, then 8am-4:30pm.. Exhibits, books, maps, bear canisters, first aid, local wilderness permits, Crystal Cave tickets sold until 3:45pm. 1-559-565-3135.
- Potwisha Campground (NPS): Year-round. Details on page II.
- Pay Telephones: Foothills Visitor Center (by front door), Potwisha Campground, Hospital Rock Picnic Area (on restroom wall).

Mineral King Area

See page 6 for more details. Be aware: In spring & early summer, marmots chew on hoses and wiring in parked cars in the valley.

7800' (2380 m) elevation. A subalpine valley at the end of a steep, narrow, difficult road (no RVs, buses, or trailers, please). No electricity or gas.

- Ranger Station (NPS): Daily 8am-4pm through 9/23, then closed for the season. Register for wilderness permits on the porch after that. Maps, books, local wilderness permits, first aid, & bear canisters. 559-565-3768.
- Pay Telephones: Cold Springs Campground, Sawtooth parking area.
- Silver City Mountain Resort: Cabins, chalets, showers, store (gifts, limited supplies & ice; no gas or fishing licenses). Restaurant/bakery/ store: Weekends 8am-8pm; weekdays store, pie & beverages 8am-5pm (reduced hours Tues.-Wed.). Last day 10/7. Summer 1-559-561-3223; winter 1-805-461-3223; www.silvercityresort.com.
- Camping (NPS): No RVs or trailers. Details: page II.